

Step by Step Instructions for Using the FACT Data Portal

1. The FACT Data Portal is located on www.fact.virginia.gov under the Research and Data tab:



2. To generate a local report, select an indicator by title at one of the links below:

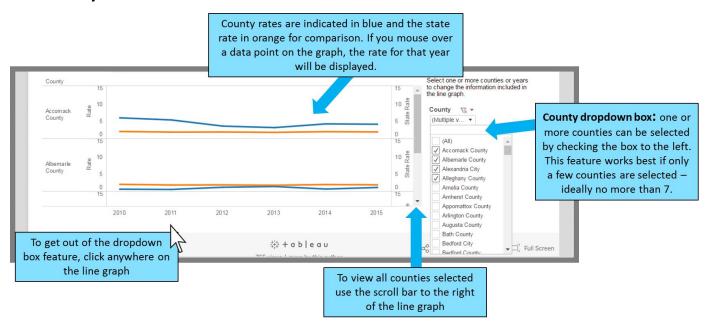


3. **Navigate indicator pages**: Each indicator page follows the same basic format - title followed by indicator description. Tables and graphs are located below each indicator description. Most indicators have a data table, shaded map, and line graph. A few indicators are reported by rolling year and will not be displayed with a line graph. Located below the data are the source information and any pertinent notes.

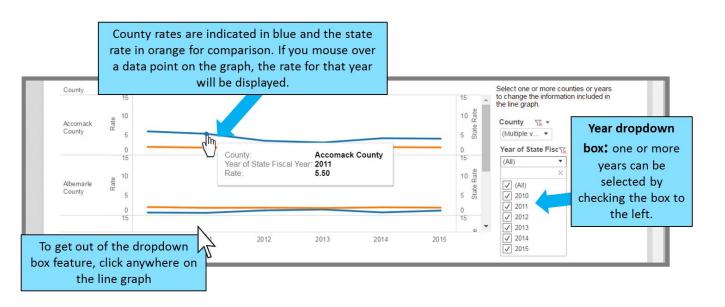


4. **Filter line graphs by county and year:** Each line graph has two dropdown filters on the right side. One filter is for the county and the other is for the year.

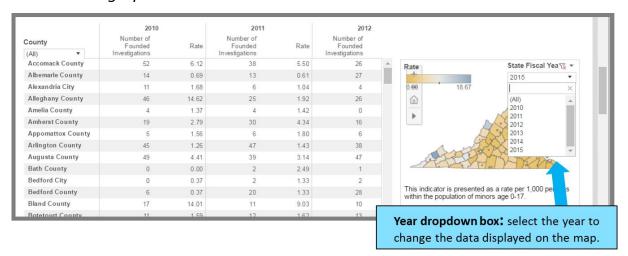
County:



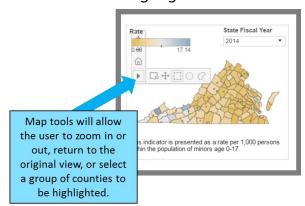
Year:



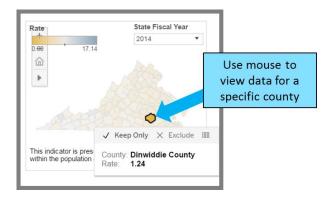
5. **Use the map:** The map is most accurate when showing one year's worth of data at a time and will only allow the user to select one at a time. Changing the year will update the data and shading of the graph.



Customize: Once you've selected the year, the map can be customized a few additional ways. Using the tools located within the map box, you can zoom or select specific counties to be highlighted.



Highlight: Use the mouse to highlight and display data for a specific county. By selecting "keep only" you can create a graphic display for that county alone.



6. **Share and Download:** Data can be downloaded and shared through a variety of methods.

